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| PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) FY 2009 <i>(Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).)</i> | | Docket Number (Optional) 9682-2 |
| Application Number 10/554,480 | | Filed October 24, 2005 |
| For A Player Technique Control System for a Stringed Instrument and Method of Playing the Instrument | | |
| Art Unit 2837 | | Examiner Fletcher, Marlon T. |

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):

| | <u>Fee</u> | <u>Small Entity Fee</u> | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) | \$130 | \$65 | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) | \$490 | \$245 | \$ _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) | \$1110 | \$555 | \$ <u>555.00</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)) | \$1730 | \$865 | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) | \$2350 | \$1175 | \$ _____ |

☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

☐ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

☐ The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.

☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 50-0220.

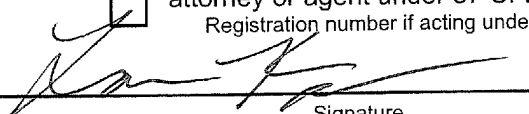
WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.

I am the ☐ applicant/inventor.

☐ assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.
Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed (Form PTO/SB/96).

☒ attorney or agent of record. Registration Number 48,441

☐ attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34.
Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34 _____



Signature

Laura M. Kelley

Typed or printed name

September 22, 2009

Date

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Telephone Number

NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.

☒ Total of 1 forms are submitted.

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